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QUESTION OF THE FUTURE EMPLOYMENT
OF "ARSENIJ" AND "MIKHAJLOV".

From: NEW YORK

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To VIKTOR[i].

Your No. 4160[11]. MIKHAJLOV's[111] departure for the West Coast was known about [from a communication][a] from MIKHAJLOV to ARSENIJ[iv] and from ARSENIJ's reports based on his conversations in the STORE [MAGAZIN][v]. [C: He is being sent away] in view of the conclusion of the acceptance of aircraft. At present acceptance is finished and MIKHAJLOV is sitting in the capacity of an informant [INFORMATOR] in[b] the Air Department [AVIAOTDEL], in effect without [1 group garbled]. His future location is not known for the time being. Letter No. 5 indicated the possibility of using him instead of A.[vi], whom you decided to recall from the PLANT [ZAVOD][vi]. Sending MIKHAJLOV instead of A. could only be effected on instructions of the Centre because the Neighbours [SOSEDI][vii] are trying to secure this equipment.

In A.'s opinion

[18 groups unrecovered]

the PLANT [ZAVOD][vi] in general

[42 groups unrecoverable]

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M.Y[M.I.J]

[T.N. and Comments overleaf]

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T.N.: [a] Inserted by the translator.

[b] Alternatively "of".

Comments: [i] VIKTOR: probably Lt.-General P.M. PITIV.

[ii] Not available.

[iii] MIKHAILOV: Petr Aleksandrovich BELYAEV, an inspector of the Soviet Government Purchasing Commission.

[iv] ARSENIJ: Andrej Ivanovich SHEVCHENKO.

[v] MAGAZIN: the Soviet Government Purchasing Commission.

[vi] ZAVOD: the Soviet Consulate-General in NEW YORK.

[vii] SOSEDI: i.e. the G.R.U.

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